working of the Committee. I have a plan for the constitution of the Committe and I also know that the members of the Committee should be co-operators of our State who know something about the working of the co-operative system in our State.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* What is the reference that you are going to make before the Committee? We want to know something about that.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* 1. To ascertain the present condition of the co-operative movement in the State in its various forms, and activities, especially with regard to cottage industries and agricultural, marketing and rural development in general. 2. To examine thoroughly its defects and suggest measures to remove them. 3. To make recommendations as to the ways and means of improving the conditions of individual societies and of the movement as a whole. 4. And, to make such other recommendations or any other aspect or aspects of the movement which they think to be of importance.

Demand put and carried

2. Rs. 12,000 under 24 Public Health A—2-Rural Sanitation—Supplies and Services—Charges for prevention of epidemics.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 12,000 under 24—Public Health, A-2, Rural Sanitation, Supplies and Services, charges for prevention of epidemics. A sum of Rs. 1,200 has been provided under the head, Prevention of Epidemics, in the current year's budget. There is only a balance of Rs. 800 in the sanctioned allotment now. It is estimated that a sum of Rs. 12,000 more will be required under the head to meet unforeseen items of expenditure necessitated on account of plague preventive measures at Mattancheri and Trichur. Since there is no provision for this, an additional allotment is necessary. Hence I request that this additional allotment may kindly be granted.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Was there plague in Mattancheri?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes, there were two cases.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* On a point of information, why do you say Rural Sanitation?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is the heading in the budget.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* You say Rural Sanitation and you say money is to be spent for Trichur and Mattancheri. I want to know why that head comes under rural sanitation.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Government will have to meet the whole expenditure; municipalities are not spending.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* The point is this—we do not consider Trichur and Mattancheri as rural areas.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Health Officers of the Municipalities are under the Minister. So, naturally, the Minister for Rural Development has to look to these things.

Mr. President: The Finance Member may open a separate head in the Budget.

Demand put and carried

3. Rs. 1,200 under "12—Registration—O—Miscellaneous"

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,200 under "12—Registration—O. Miscellaneous." This amount is required to appoint a few clerks to write up the Sirkar Land Registers in the Registration Department. I request that this amount may kindly be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

4. Rs. 1,000 under "14—1—Huzur Secretariat—Telegram Charges"

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretaryt o Government):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 under, "14—1, Huzur Secretariat—Telegraphic Charges". I request that this amount may kindly be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

5. Rs. 4,668 under "26—2—Printing Miscellaneous"

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I rise to move for a sum of Rs. 4,668 under "26—2, Printing Miscellaneous." This is the amount required to pay Insurance Charges on the Government Press. We are insuring the Government Press under the War

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